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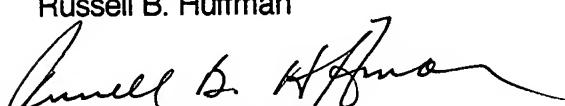
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Dear Initial Patent Examiner:

Several months ago the Patent Office again issued us correspondence indicating publication of our patent would occur 10/28/04. Since then, there has been no further word. If possible? Could you please look into its current status and advise a publication date. Our project has urgent need to complete this effort.

Sincerely yours,

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